

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 729

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ms. Sarah Rush Haley, 2000
Salutatorian of the Memphis-area Home
Education Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sarah Rush Haley is one such exceptional student who recently was named salutatorian of the 2000 graduating class of the Memphis-area Home Education Association; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Sarah has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students of Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Sarah has earned an exemplary 3.86 grade point average and an ACT score of 30; and

WHEREAS, an active participant in community and church activities, Sarah is a member of her church choir, the puppet team, and the drama team; she has been overseas on mission trips, worked with her church's youth group, worked on political campaigns, lobbied on a voluntary basis, and has had the honor of being a page for the State Senate; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished and talented violinist, Ms. Haley enjoys swimming, playing tennis, horseback riding, teaching Handbells and Logic classes, as well as playing her violin in the Memphis Youth String Orchestra and the Memphis Youth Symphony; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Haley's talents have been recognized by her receipt of such awards as the Academic Excellence Scholarship to the University of Memphis, the Certificate of Excellence for the National Latin Exam, and by being named the Sophomore with the highest averages in World History and Latin, as the Yearbook Editor, and as the Assistant Principal Violinist of the Memphis Youth Symphony; and

WHEREAS, Sarah's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Sarah's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Rusty and Carol Haley, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sarah's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Memphis-area Home Education Association Salutatorian, Ms. Sarah Rush Haley, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.